

Create a Fairy House Garden

What you will need:

- * a large pot with potting soil
- * about 8 sturdy sticks, slightly bent and roughly the same size
- * a quick growing climbing plant such as ivy or flower/shrub cuttings
- * small sticks, twigs, acorns, bark, stones, feathers
- * glue
- * twine

What to do:

Place two sticks into a bower, curved shape, on opposite sides of the pot, pushing the ends deeply into the soil. Make sure they are not too close to the sides of the pot. Fill in the back with more sticks. You want to leave a nice space in front for your fairy room. Tie the sticks together at the top with twine.

For Live Plants:

Plant your climber at the base of each stick and entwine the vine around your sticks. Make sure each stick has some plant cover.

For Cuttings:

If you decide to use cuttings instead of a live plant you will need sturdy cuttings the length of your stick frame. Just push the ends into the dirt and thread the cuttings around and through your sticks.

Decorating:

Use small stones to create a pathway. Create a flower pot by placing a tiny terra-cotta pot (found in the seed section of garden stores). Fill with water and put in small flower tops. You can craft furniture out of twigs and pieces of bark. Hold together with wood glue. Use feathers and acorns to add the final touch to your fairy house garden.

For more ideas you can visit:

<http://dani3d.com/blog/2007/05/05/fairy-houses/> or read the book, "Fairy Houses Everywhere!" by Barry & Tracy Kane.

